



NAVY WOUNDED WARRIOR - SAFE HARBOR EMPLOYMENT AND EDUCATION ASSISTANCE

Navy Wounded Warrior (NWW) - Safe Harbor coordinates the non-medical care of seriously wounded, ill and injured Sailors and Coast Guardsmen, and provides resources and support to their families. Through proactive leadership, NWW offers individually-tailored assistance to ensure enrollees' successful recovery, rehabilitation and reintegration.

NWW's goal is to return Sailors and Coast Guardsmen to duty and, when that is not possible, to work collaboratively with federal agencies, and state and local organizations to ease them back into their communities.

EMPLOYMENT AND EDUCATION ASSISTANCE

Employment assistance is a key component of NWW's transition program for seriously wounded, ill and injured Sailors and Coast Guardsmen. A wounded warrior's successful reintegration into civilian life often depends upon whether they can find meaningful employment and provide for themselves and their families after transitioning out of military service.

WHY DO WOUNDED WARRIORS NEED EMPLOYMENT AND EDUCATION ASSISTANCE?

According to a June 2010 survey conducted by the Society for Human Resource Management, 60 percent of employers consider the translation of military skills into civilian job experience the primary challenge they face in hiring veterans. The vast majority (89 percent) believe programs to address that challenge would be beneficial.

The NWW employment and education assistance program addresses this and other issues associated with hiring wounded, ill and injured Sailors and Coast Guardsmen. It helps enrollees and their caregivers expand their professional networks, develop new skills and regain confidence.

HOW CAN WOUNDED WARRIORS REQUEST THIS ASSISTANCE?

NWW enrollees may contact their Non-medical Care Managers to learn about job and education opportunities, and to begin working directly with an Employment Coordinator at NWW headquarters. Wounded warriors also can email navywoundedwarrior@navy.mil (they should include their full name, address and telephone number in the message).

WHAT ASSISTANCE DOES NWW PROVIDE?

NWW works with wounded warriors and their families to establish goals and chart a path toward long-term success, whether they hope to return to school or begin a new career. NWW Non-medical Care Managers collaborate closely with a dedicated staff member at the program's headquarters to provide the following services:

- Building and editing résumés
- Preparing for job interviews
- Providing information about upcoming job fairs
- Providing access to government programs and resources
- Sharing employer contacts
- Applying for Post-9/11 GI Bill benefits
- Enrolling in higher education and training

HOW CAN EMPLOYERS HIRE WOUNDED WARRIORS?

NWW advocates nationally for the hiring of wounded, ill and injured Sailors and Coast Guardsmen, publicly sharing information about the advantages of employing veterans and dispelling common myths associated with traumatic brain injuries and other conditions. It also educates employers about government assistance available to their wounded warrior employees.

NWW can connect employers to wounded warriors looking for jobs, as well as resources to assist with wounded warrior hiring. To contact the Employment Coordinator, email navywoundedwarrior@navy.mil, or visit <http://safeharbor.navylive.dodlive.mil> for more information.



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